

Problem 2.4: Complex-valued Signals

Complex numbers and phasors play a very important role in electrical engineering. Solving systems for complex exponentials is much easier than for sinusoids, and linear systems analysis is particularly easy.

- Find the phasor representation for each, and re-express each as the real and imaginary parts of a complex exponential. What is the frequency (in Hz) of each? In general, are your answers unique? If so, prove it; if not, find an alternative answer for the complex exponential representation.

1.

$$3\sin(24t)$$

2.

$$\sqrt{2}\cos(2\pi 60t + \frac{\pi}{4})$$

3.

$$2\cos(t + \frac{\pi}{6}) + 4\sin(t - \frac{\pi}{3})$$

- Show that for linear systems having real-valued outputs for real inputs, that when the input is the real part of a complex exponential, the output is the real part of the system's output to the complex exponential (see the below figure).

$$S(\operatorname{Re}(Ae^{j2\pi ft})) = \operatorname{Re}(S(Ae^{j2\pi ft}))$$

